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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.
- 2. Claims 1- 5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Ellis et al. (6,771,317).

Regarding claim 1, Ellis discloses a method and apparatus for interacting in a television set, comprising; a receiver for receiving a TV broadcasting (abstract) that includes a prompt (icon "I" for additional information) ( see icon "i" on figs. 20-22); a prompt mode function that generates a signal having a state that either enables a presentation of the prompt during the broadcast, wherein the prompt indicating the presence of an information address in the broadcast, the information address indicating how additional information is obtained (figs. 20-22, column 18 lines 45-55, column 37 line 42 to column 38 line 16).

Regarding claims 2-5, Ellis further discloses the prompt (icon) mode function is determined by a remove controller, wherein the remote controller inherently implemented a short-range wireless signal; a location table outlet (see figs.10, 18, 19).

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wherein the location table outlet is determined by a global positioning system (satellite) (column 8 lines 29-47, column 19 lines 49-51); a local channel identifier (figs.10, 18, 19).

3. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Macrae et al. (20030005463).

Regarding claim 1, Macrae discloses a method and apparatus for interacting in a television set, comprising; a receiver for receiving a TV broadcasting that includes a prompt (icon "I" for additional information) (abstract); a prompt mode function that generates a signal having a state that either enables a presentation of the prompt during the broadcast, wherein the prompt indicating the presence of an information address in the broadcast, the information address indicating how additional information is obtained (figs. 2-8, paragraphs 46, 57-58).

4. Claims 1-3, 5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Alexander et al. (6,177,931).

Regarding claim 1, Alexander discloses a method and apparatus for interacting in a television set, comprising; a receiver for receiving a TV broadcasting (column 8 lines 36-64) that includes a prompt (icon) (column 4 lines 62 to column 5 line 3, see icon "i" on figs. 3-10B)); a prompt mode function that generates a signal having a state that either enables a presentation of the prompt during the broadcast, wherein the prompt indicating the presence of an information address in the broadcast, the information

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address indicating how additional information is obtained (figs. 3-10, column 18 lines 33-67, column 23 lines 43-47, column 27 lines 40-47).

Regarding claim 2, Alexander further discloses a remote controller or a wireless communication device being used to link to the prompt (icon "i") displayed on a TV screen to obtain the additional information (column 8 lines 44-64). It should be noted that the remote controller or the wireless communication device as being mentioned by Alexander inherently interact with a television set via a short-range wireless signal.

Regarding claims 3, 5, Alexander further discloses a location table output (figs. 3-10), wherein the location table output also display the prompt (icon "i") to allow a user obtaining the additional information through activating the prompt "i" which then connects to a web site address, wherein the location table output is determined by a local channel identifier such as ABC, CBS, NBC, ESPN...

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 5. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
  - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 6. Claim 4 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Alexander et al. (6,177,931).

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Regarding claim 4, Alexander discloses the location table output is broadcasted by a satellite (column 28 line 14), wherein the satellite broadcast is a global positioning system input which is known to those skilled in the art in order to get information anywhere in the world.

### Response to Arguments

- 7. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-5 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.
- 8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Simon Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-7894. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 7:00 AM to 4:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward F. Urban, can be reached on (571) 272-7899.

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September 21, 2006

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